

# **Nuts About Nature Camp** (7-11yrs)

#### **Camp Dates/Times/Location**

Monday – Friday, June 17 – 21, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. DCRC, Coffman Art Stable

Drop off children five minutes before the program and pick up promptly at 4 p.m. with a picture ID ready to show

#### **Camp Overview**

City of Dublin Naturalist Mime Migliore creates a week long quest for nature in Coffman Park and beyond for children 7-11 years. See what animals are out and about in Dublin, meet animal guests,



learn all about what plants live in Dublin, and go fishing. This week is packed with fun, games, and learning. A trip to Glacier Ridge Metro Park and the Columbus Zoo are included, as well as a swimming day at the DCRC. An afternoon snack is provided each day.

On the back of this sheet is a breakdown by day of the things your child will experience each day at camp. Please note that the schedule is subject to change.

## **Expectations for Parents**

Parents need to complete and submit a 2013 Health Care Form for their child by June 1. Parents are expected to drop off their child five minutes before the program and pick up promptly at 4 p.m. A picture ID is required to pick up your child. Anyone picking up a child from Nature Camp must be listed on the child's Health Care Form.

# **Camp Fees/Dress/What to bring**

The program fee is \$150 for Residents and \$165 for School District & Non-Residents. Children should dress appropriately for the summer weather. The program is held both indoors and outdoors, so children should have sunscreen already applied and wear closed-toed shoes (such as gym shoes). Please do not send your child in sandals, crocs, or other summer shoes due to being outside in the grass area, on the playground, and hiking on the trails. Campers should bring a healthy sack lunch each day that does not require refrigeration. Campers will need to bring a swim suit and towel on swimming day.

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# **Nuts About Nature Camp Week**

#### Monday, June 17, 2013: Nature Senses

Campers begin their week of Nature Camp by participating in an activity that heightens their nature awareness and builds on their nature senses. They then take what they've learned and explore in a park hike through Coffman Park, complete with magnifiers and bug boxes. They round out their day by creating a nature journal which they will keep at camp and take home on Friday.

#### Tuesday, June 18, 2013: Reptiles & Amphibians

Tuesday, the group is visited by Nancy the Turtle Lady and a few of her favorite animal friends! Also included in the day are frog calls, turtles, and amphibians that are out and about in our parks. The campers are involved in lots of hands-on nature fun exploration from start to finish!

#### Wednesday, June 19, 2013: Mammals & Birds

For our third day of Nature Camp, the group will visit Glacier Ridge Metro Park and be lead in activities and explorations in the park. Please make sure all children are checked in on time so the bus can leave promptly at 9:30 a.m. When they return to the DCRC, the camp will be



swimming at the indoor pool, so please make sure all campers **bring their swim suits and towels**! Swimming takes place from 2 - 3:45 p.m. All parents are asked to wait at the Art Barn until the campers return from the pool area to check out for the day.

### Thursday, June 20, 2013: In the Water

On Thursday, a guide will be on site from Ohio Nature Education and will bring a couple of live animals to share. In the afternoon, the camp will go fishing outside at the DCRC pond and review fishing safety strategies that they can use in their future fishing endeavors. The Nature Detectives will prepare for their final day of camp on Friday by marking a scene to track live nature overnight.

# Friday, June 21, 2013: All About Feet & Movement

The final day of Nature Camp is full of lots of exploration, investigation, and nature fun! The group will first check in on their overnight discovery and then they will prepare for a trip to the Columbus Zoo. Please make sure all children are checked in on time so the bus can leave promptly at 10 a.m. When they return, the camp will wrap up all the fun of the week and complete their nature journals to take home and share.

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL ACTIVITIES ARE WEATHER PERMITTING -

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